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MEDIA BUREAU AND INCENTIVE AUCTION TASK FORCE URGE TELEVISION LICENSEES TO UPDATE CONTACT INFORMATION

- 1. The Media Bureau and the Incentive Auction Task Force remind all television licensees that it is essential that they ensure that their contact information on file with the Commission is accurate and current.
- 2. Licensees are obligated to keep current the contact information for each of their stations so that the Commission can provide them important updates and announcements. We anticipate communicating directly with stations about channel reassignments (repacking) resulting from the ongoing broadcast television spectrum incentive auction (Auction 1000). For this purpose, we will need up-to-date contact information for all stations, including both those that were selected by a licensee in an FCC Form 177 (Form 177) application for potential participation in the incentive auction and those that were not. If a station was selected by a licensee on a Form 177 application for the incentive auction, the Commission will use the contact information currently contained in the Form 177 to communicate with the licensee about that station and any channel reassignment for it, regardless of subsequent events affecting that station's participation in the auction (e.g., whether the application was deemed complete with respect to the station, whether the licensee made an initial commitment with respect to the station, whether any initial commitment made could be accommodated, or whether the station exits the auction, voluntarily or involuntarily). For all other stations, the Commission will use the contact information currently contained in the Licensing and Management System (LMS) to communicate with stations about channel reassignments.
- 3. <u>Updating Station Contact Information in LMS</u>. Contact information in LMS should reflect the most recent contact information filed for a station. For example, commercial full service and Class A stations filed contact information in LMS as part of their most recent quarterly Children's Television Programming Report. All licensees should immediately verify the current status of their contact information in LMS for each of their stations and update such information if necessary. To view and edit a station's contact information in LMS follow the instructions in Attachment A.
- 4. <u>Updating Applicant Contact Information in FCC Form 177</u>. Each licensee that submitted a Form 177 application in the Commission's Auction System (Auction System) for the incentive auction

¹ See 47 C.F.R. § 1.5 ("Each licensee shall furnish the Commission with an address to be used by the Commission in serving documents or directing correspondence to that licensee. Unless any licensee advises the Commission to the contrary, the address contained in the licensee's most recent application will be used by the Commission for this purpose.").

has a continuing obligation to maintain the accuracy and completeness of information furnished.² Therefore, each reverse auction applicant must keep the contact information contained in its FCC Form 177 accurate and current throughout the incentive auction process. To view and edit a station's contact information in the Auction System follow the instructions in Attachment B.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

5. For additional information or questions concerning LMS, contact Hossein Hashemzadeh (technical) or Shaun Maher (legal) at (202) 418-1600. For technical assistance with using the Auction System, contact the FCC Technical Support Hotline at (877) 480-3201, option nine; (202) 414-1250; or (202) 414-1255 (TTY). Additional information concerning the incentive auction is available at the Auction 1001 web page (www.fcc.gov/auctions/1001).

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² See 47 C.F.R. §§ 1.65 and 1.2204(d)(5). An applicant's FCC Form 177 and associated attachments will remain pending until the release of the *Channel Reassignment Public Notice*. See Application Procedures for Broadcast Incentive Auction Scheduled to Begin on March 29, 2016; Technical Formulas for Competitive Bidding, Public Notice, 30 FCC Rcd 11034, 11052-53, n.100 (WTB 2015) (Auction 1000 Application Procedures Public Notice). If for any reason a particular party filed more than one application to participate, e.g., with respect to multiple stations using different FCC Registration Numbers, that party must keep its contact information accurate and current on all its applications.

ATTACHMENT A

Updating Station Contact Information in the Licensing and Management System (LMS)

To view a station's contact information in LMS follow these instructions

1. Access the LMS public search home page here:

https://enterpriseefiling.fcc.gov/dataentry/public/tv/publicSearchLanding.html

- 2. Click on "Facility Search."
- 3. Enter the call sign or facility ID number for the station and click search.
- 4. Click on the station's facility ID number.
- 5. Review the Licensee and Contact Representative information (name, address, telephone number and e-mail address) that appears under on the "Facility Details" tab.

If it is necessary to update the station's Licensee or Contact Representative information, file an "Administrative Update" in LMS following the below instructions:

1. Access the LMS applicant data entry home page here:

https://enterpriseefiling.fcc.gov/dataentry/login.htm:

- 2. Log in using the FRN associated with the station.
- 3. Click on the "Facilities" tab on the left top of the page.
- 4. Click on the facility ID number of the station.
- 5. Click on the "File an Application" button.
- 6. Select the "Administrative Update" option from the drop down menu.
- 7. Input appropriate changes in contact information and click "Submit."

After the contact information has been submitted a confirmation page will display an application file number associated with the submission time and date. A copy of the confirmation page should be printed for the applicant's records. As soon as the update is filed, the records for the facility will be updated. Licensees are reminded that whenever they file a report or application for one of their stations they should insure the accuracy and completeness of the address and contact representative identified.

ATTACHMENT B

Updating Station Contact Information in the Auction System

Any reverse auction applicant that needs to make permissible administrative or minor changes, including updating its contact information, must do so using the procedures described in the *Auction 1000 Application Procedures Public Notice*.³ Please note that to access its FCC Form 177, a reverse auction applicant must log in to the Auction System via the Internet through different links than those previously provided in the *Auction 1000 Application Procedures Public Notice*.⁴ Reverse auction applicants should now use auctionsignon.fcc.gov (primary location) or auctionsignon2.fcc.gov (secondary location).

Reverse auction applicants may view and/or edit their respective contact information in ISAS by following the steps below. Any party with multiple applications must follow these steps with respect to each application separately.

- 1. Access the ISAS log in screen at <u>auctionsignon.fcc.gov</u> or <u>auctionsignon2.fcc.gov</u>.
- 2. Enter the applicant's FRN and password and click on the **LOG IN** button, which will take the applicant to the *My Auctions Page* screen.
- 3. Click on the **Click here to file FCC Form 177** link, which is under the "Incentive Auctions" heading.
- 4. Click on the **Auction 1001** link, which will produce the application's *Summary* screen in a view/edit mode.
- 5. There will be a navigation pane on the right side of the screen that displays the various sections of the FCC Form 177. Click on the **Applicant Information** link to view the subsections within that section of the application. Next, click on the **Contact Details** link.
- 6. An applicant may view and/or edit its contact information on the *Contact Details* screen. If an applicant edits its contact information, it must navigate to the *Certify & Submit* screen and click on the **CERTIFY & SUBMIT** button to submit any changes made to its FCC Form 177.
- 7. After the revised application has been submitted, a confirmation page will display the application's file number and submission time and date. A copy of the confirmation page should be printed for the applicant's records.

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³ See Auction 1000 Application Procedures Public Notice, 30 FCC Rcd at 11053, para. 52. Additionally, each applicant must also submit a letter briefly summarizing the changes to its FCC Form 177 by email to auction1001@fcc.gov. See Clearing Target of 114 Megahertz Set for Stage 2 of the Broadcast Television Spectrum Incentive Auction; Stage 2 Bidding in the Reverse Auction Will Start on September 13, 2016, Public Notice, DA 16-990, para.33 n.46 (WTB Aug. 31, 2016).

⁴ The FCC previously notified reverse auction applicants of this change in a confidential attachment included with their respective final confidential status letters. The links are included in this Public Notice as a reminder of the change.